

# Assassin bug

Reduviidae

**Adults:** Black, yellow, brown or green. Narrow head and long mouthparts form a curved beak.



Photo: Peter Bryant

Length: 20 mm  20 mm

Assassin bug mouthparts.

**Eggs:** Elliptical, often with a distinct cap. Deposited in clusters on leaves or in the soil.



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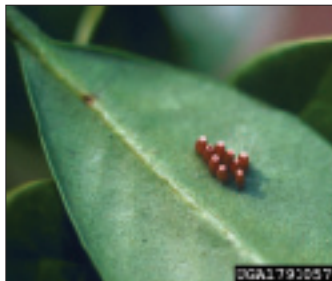


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## Assassin bug – *continued*

**Nymphs:** Resemble adults, but are smaller with undeveloped wings. Some are brightly colored.



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Assassin bug nymph.

**Diet:** Aphids, leafhoppers, small caterpillars, and beetle eggs and larvae.